# PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES OF Tuesday, May 30, 2023

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a Moment of Silence.

The Lawrence County Commissioners' Meeting of Tuesday, May 30, 2023, was called to order by Commissioner Dan Vogler, at 10:00 am at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Deputy Chief Clerk, Vanessa Bayless, called the roll. Those in attendance were, Commissioner Loretta Spielvogel, Commissioner Brian Burick, Amy McKinney, Mike Russo, None, New Castle News. It was stated for the record that the meeting is being taped. Those wishing to speak shall be given five minutes. If they need more time, they are to see the Deputy Chief Clerk at another time, and she will arrange for them to meet with the Commissioners. Those speaking are to state for the record their names, addresses and the nature of their business.

Mr. Vogler stated that Commissioner Burick is going to run the meeting today. Commissioner Spielvogel may choose a date in June to run a meeting.

# **ROW OFFICERS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

None

# GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### FISCAL/CONTRACTUAL

A. Repository Properties:

B. Advertise for bids/proposals:

C. Receipt for bids/proposals:

None

None

- D. Warrant Registers:
  - 1. May 25, 2023
  - 2. May 24, 2023
  - 3. May 23, 2023
  - 4. May 22, 2023
  - 5. May 19, 2023

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to file said warrant register(s). Motion carried 3-0.

## MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Approval of Minutes:
  - `1. May 23, 2023

Moved by Mr. Vogler, seconded by Ms. Spielvogel to approve said minutes. Motion carried 3-0

- B. Presentation of Written Communications:
  - 1. Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc.-Steven L. Bowman for a new Single Residence Sewage Treatment Plant (SRSTP) to replace the malfunctioning septic system currently serving the existing home on the property located at 1211 Blue Sky Drive, New Castle, PA 16105 (Neshannock Twp.)
  - 2. Frank B. Taylor Engineering, Inc.-Harbor Mobile Home Village & Terrace Sales, Inc. for a Water Quality Management (WQM) Permit Amendment to modify the existing Water Quality Management Permit for the Harbor Terrace Mobile Home Park Sewage Treatment Plant located at 1551 Harbor Edinburg Road, Edinburg, PA 16116 (Union Twp.)

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

# **REPORTS**

- A. Staff Reports None
- B. Commissioner Reports and Comments
  Ms. Spielvogel stated there were many Memorial Day events over the weekend.
  She attended the event on Saturday at the Courthouse. She applauded New
  Castle High Band that played. Then she went to the event in Mahoningtown and she said the Blue Coat Band played as well.
  - Mr. Burick stated he also attended the Courthouse event. The event was very well organized and put together. He asked the Veterans' Director how many Lawrence County residents have died in war. Between WWI, WWII, Korea and Vietnam, over 565 Veterans have been killed.
  - Mr. Vogler stated it is challenging in trying to attend all the Memorial Day events. Saturday, he attended the event in New Bedford, Sunday, he attended in Pulaski and Monday, he went to Ellwood City. He also stated he and Commissioner Burick attended West Central Job Partnership last week. He stated he talked to Controller Prestopine and as of April 30<sup>th</sup>, the County is at 47% revenue and 30.8% expenses. At the end of the first quarter, we should be at 33%, so we are over revenue and under expenses.

## RESOLUTION

### R-2023-153

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Lawrence County to post the sale of a 2012 Chevrolet Cruze; and

**WHEREAS**, the vehicle is a 2012 Chevrolet Cruze with mileage at 130,865, in poor condition; and

WHEREAS, the vehicle is worth less than \$5,000.00; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT BE RESOLVED** that the County post the sale of the 2012 Chevrolet Cruze at the Lawrence County Courthouse and at the CYS Office, for bids on the vehicle.

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

#### RESOLUTION R-2023-154

# A RESOLUTION OF THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AWARDING A CONTRACT TO DELTA DEVELOPMENT FOR COMPREHENISVE PUBLIC FUNDING SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, the Lawrence County Commissioners have a need for comprehensive public funding services related to projects locate din the Lawrence County, PA; and

**WHEREAS,** such services include the implementation of a funding strategy and direct communication with local, state and federal officials on behalf of the County to advance project implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, Delta Development employs personnel with expertise in public funding and project management and is duly qualified to be engaged in these activities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that the Lawrence County Board of Commissioners agrees to the terms and conditions included in the attached agreement.

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

#### RESOLUTION R-2023-155

**WHEREAS,** Section 603 of the federal American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA"), which became law on March 11, 2021, establishes a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund ("FRF" or "Local Fiscal Recovery Fund"); and

**WHEREAS**, the American Rescue Plan Act requires that Local Fiscal Recovery Fund money be used for expenditures on or after March 3, 2021 (1) to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; (2) for the provision of

government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of the applicable local government due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the local government; (3) for premium pay for essential workers; and (4) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the County is distributing Local Fiscal Recovery Fund money to eligible entities for permissible expenditures; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has allocated two hundred and fifty thousand (\$250,000.00) to the Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County for revitalization efforts in the City of New Castle.

**NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED**, by the Lawrence County Commissioners, that the Board of Commissioners approves an allocation two hundred and fifty thousand (\$250,000.00) to the Redevelopment Authority of Lawrence County.

Moved by Mr. Vogler, seconded by Ms. Spielvogel to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

## RESOLUTION R-2023-156

**WHEREAS**, Lawrence County has received financial support from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through Liquid Fuels allocations; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds are distributed to the County and may be allocated to local municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, these funds are to be used to fund the replacement or repair of locallyowned, at-risk, deteriorated bridges in accordance with PennDOT specifications; and

**WHEREAS**, Lawrence County's Liquid Fuels shall be the official fund used for the approval of the project below;

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution shall replace Resolution R-2022-403, that stated Act 13-Marcellus Shale Impact Fee allocation was to be used for the project listed below; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that the following project(s) have met the program requirements and are approved for funding through Liquid Fuel dollars:

<u>Municipality</u>	MPMS Number	<u>Project</u>	Local Share
Wayne Township		Greenhouse Road Bridge	\$40,000.00

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

#### RESOLUTION

R-2023-157

**WHEREAS**, Section 1784 of the County Code, *Supplemental Appropriations Transfer of Funds; Appropriation Limits*, authorizes the Board of Commissioners, by resolution, to make supplemental appropriations for any lawful purpose from any funds on hand or estimated to be received within the fiscal year and not otherwise appropriated; and

**WHEREAS**, it the intent of the Board of Commissioners to adjust the existing FY2023 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS to amend the 2023 Lawrence County Budget as follows:

**INCREASING** Prior Year Balance Demolition Revenue Fund Account: 58390000.342000 by \$7,000.00; and

**INCREASING** Redevelopment Authority Demolition Expense Fund Account: 5811100.802900 by \$7,000.00

Reason: Allocation

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Vogler to approve said Resolution. Motion carried 3-0.

# TRANSFER (ADMINISTRATIVE)

- a. MHDS from MH Comm Employment to MH Respite for \$20,000.00
- b. Voters from Contingency to Printing of Ballots for \$16,000.00
- c. DA from Part Time Staff to Salary of Staff for \$10,646.35

Moved by Mr. Vogler, seconded by Ms. Spielvogel to approve the Administrative Transfer(s). Motion carried 3-0.

# **RESOLUTIONS ON THE TABLE**

 Resolution for discussion and possible approval to designate Lawrence County Economic Development as the Industrial Development Organization of Lawrence County.

The resolution will stay on the table.

ORDINANCES
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A.	Discussion:	None
B.	On the Table:	None
C.	For Introduction:	None
D.	For final action:	None

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. The next Commissioners' Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- B. There will be a Retirement Board meeting on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 immediately following the Commissioners' Meeting in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.
- C. There will be an Opioid Advisory Committee Meeting on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 12:00 Noon in the Commissioners' Meeting Room.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Ms. Spielvogel, seconded by Mr. Burick to adjourn the meeting of the Lawrence County Commissioners meeting dated Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at 10:45 AM.